

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington

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Robert H. Whaley

Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1943
Education: Princeton 1965 AB; Emory 1968 JD
Began Service: July 12, 1995
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Government: Trial Attorney, Land & Natural Resources Division, United States Department of Justice (1969-1971); Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Washington, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1971-1972)

Judicial: Judge, Washington Superior Court, Spokane County (1992-1995)

Legal Practice: Peek & Whaley (1968-1969); Associate then Partner, Winston & Cashatt (1972-1992)

Military Service: United States Marine Corps (1968)

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Fred L. Van Sickle
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1943
Education: Wisconsin 1965 BS; U Washington 1968 JD
Began Service: 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Government: Prosecuting Attorney, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Douglas, Washington (1971-1975)

Judicial: Judge, Washington Superior Court, Grant and Douglas Counties (1975-1979); Judge, Washington Superior Court, Chelan and Douglas Counties (1979-1991); District Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington (1991-2000); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington

Legal Practice: Clark & Van Sickle (1970-1975)

Military Service: United States Army (1968-1970)

Current Memberships: National Conference of Federal Trial Judges, Judicial Division, American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Superior Court Judges Association (WA); Washington State Bar Association

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Edward F. Shea
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1942
Education: Georgetown 1970 JD
Began Service: May 28, 1998
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Harold J. Petrie, Washington State Court of Appeals, Division II (1970-1971)

Government: Chair, Boundary Review Board, County of Franklin, Washington (1979-1980)

Legal Practice: Associate Attorney, Peterson, Taylor & Day (1971-1974); Partner, Peterson, Taylor Day & Shea (1974-1978); Partner, Peterson & Shea (1978-1980); Partner, Shea, Kuffel & Lindsay (1980-1984); Partner, Shea, Kuffel, Lindsay & Flynn (1984-1987); Partner, Shea & Kuffel (1987-1994); Partner, Shea, Kuffel & Klashke (1994-1996); Partner, Shea, Kuffel, Klashke & Shea (1997-1998)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; Benton-Franklin Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Washington State Bar Association

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Lonny R. Suko
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1943
Education: Washington State 1965 BA; Idaho 1968 JD
Began Service: August 1, 2003
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Charles L. Powell, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington (1968-1969)

Judicial: Magistrate Judge (part-time), United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington (1971-1991); Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington (1995-2003)

Legal Practice: Partner, Lyon, Weigand, Suko & Gustafson (1969-1995)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Washington State Bar Association

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Justin L. Quackenbush
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1929
Education: Idaho 1951 BA; Gonzaga 1957 LLB
Began Service: 1980
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Academic: Instructor (part-time), School of Law, Gonzaga University (1959-1967)

Government: Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, State of Washington (1957-1959)

Legal Practice: Senior Partner, Quackenbush, Dean, Bailey & Henderson (1959-1980)

Military Service: United States Navy (1951-1954)

Current Memberships: Spokane County Bar; Washington State Bar Association

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Wm. Fremming Nielsen
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934
Education: U Washington 1956 BA, 1962 LLB
Began Service: May 28, 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Academic: Credit Reporter, The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation (1959-1960)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Charles L. Powell, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington (1963-1964)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Paine, Hamblen, Coffin, Brooke & Miller LLP (1964-1991)

Military Service: United States Air Force (1956-1959); United States Air Force Reserve (1959-1982)

Current Memberships: American College of Trial Lawyers; The American Inns of Court; Eastern District of Washington Chapter, Federal Bar Association; Spokane County Bar; Washington State Bar Association

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Cynthia Imbrogno
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1948
Education: Indiana (PA) 1970; Gonzaga 1979 JD
Began Service: 1991
Term Expires: September 2015

Clerkships: Law Clerk, Washington Court of Appeals; Law Clerk The Honorable Justin L. Quackenbush, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington (1980-1983)

Government: Civil Rights Staff Attorney, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington (1984-1985); Complex Litigation Staff Attorney, Eastern District of Washington Chapter (1986-1988)

Legal Practice: Preston, Thorgrimson, Shidler, Gates & Ellis (1988-1990); Attorney, Perkins Cole LLP (1990-1991)

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